

United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service

**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

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date entered

1. Name

historic HASSENPLUG BRIDGE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number North Fourth Street not for publication

city, town Mifflinburg vicinity of congressional district 17

state Pennsylvania code 42 county Union code 119

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Union County c/o Union County Commissioners

street & number South Second and St. Louis Streets

city, town Lewisburg vicinity of state Pennsylvania 17837

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Union County Courthouse

street & number South Second Street

city, town Lewisburg state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Union Co. Planning Comm. has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date 1976 federal state county local

depository for survey records Union County Courthouse

city, town Lewisburg state Pennsylvania

7. Description

Condition

excellent

good

fair

deteriorated

ruins

unexposed

Check one

unaltered

altered

Check one

original site

moved date _____

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

This covered bridge spans Buffalo Creek just north of the borough of Mifflinburg. It has been termed the Hassenplug Bridge for more than a century; the name stemming from a family by this name who lived on the creek at the bridge. They were brewers and farmers.

The bridge has a span of 80 feet and a roadway of 16 feet. There is no walkway. It has a Burr-type truss, spliced white pine. It has rather heavy traffic and the bridge has been strengthened by a central pier and steel underpinning. The wood covering is in good condition and it is well painted.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		

Specific dates 1825

Builder/Architect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The original covered bridge dates back to 1825. It was overhauled by the County Commissioners in 1959. The contractors were Kauffman, Naugle and Sheridan. They replaced the wooden floor with iron grill, renewed the siding and ran gutters with down spouts.

At a bend of the creek, it has been the subject of artists for many years. It is one of two remaining covered bridges on Buffalo Creek.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Broome, Melvin, "Union County's Covered Bridges," Union County Heritage, II, 30

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property .05

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A

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Zone				Easting				Northing						

B

Zone				Easting				Northing						

C

Zone				Easting				Northing						

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Zone				Easting				Northing						

E

Zone				Easting				Northing						

F

Zone				Easting				Northing						

G

Zone				Easting				Northing						

H

Zone				Easting				Northing						

Verbal boundary description and justification

$(80' + 20') \times (16' + 10') = 100' \times 26' = 2600 \div 43560 = .05$

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state _____ code _____ county _____ code _____

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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Charles M. Snyder

organization Union Co. Bicentennial Comm. date _____

street & number South Second & St. Louis Street telephone 717-524-4461

city or town Lewisburg state Pennsylvania 17837

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

ED WEINTRAUB, Director
title Office of Historic Preservation date _____

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

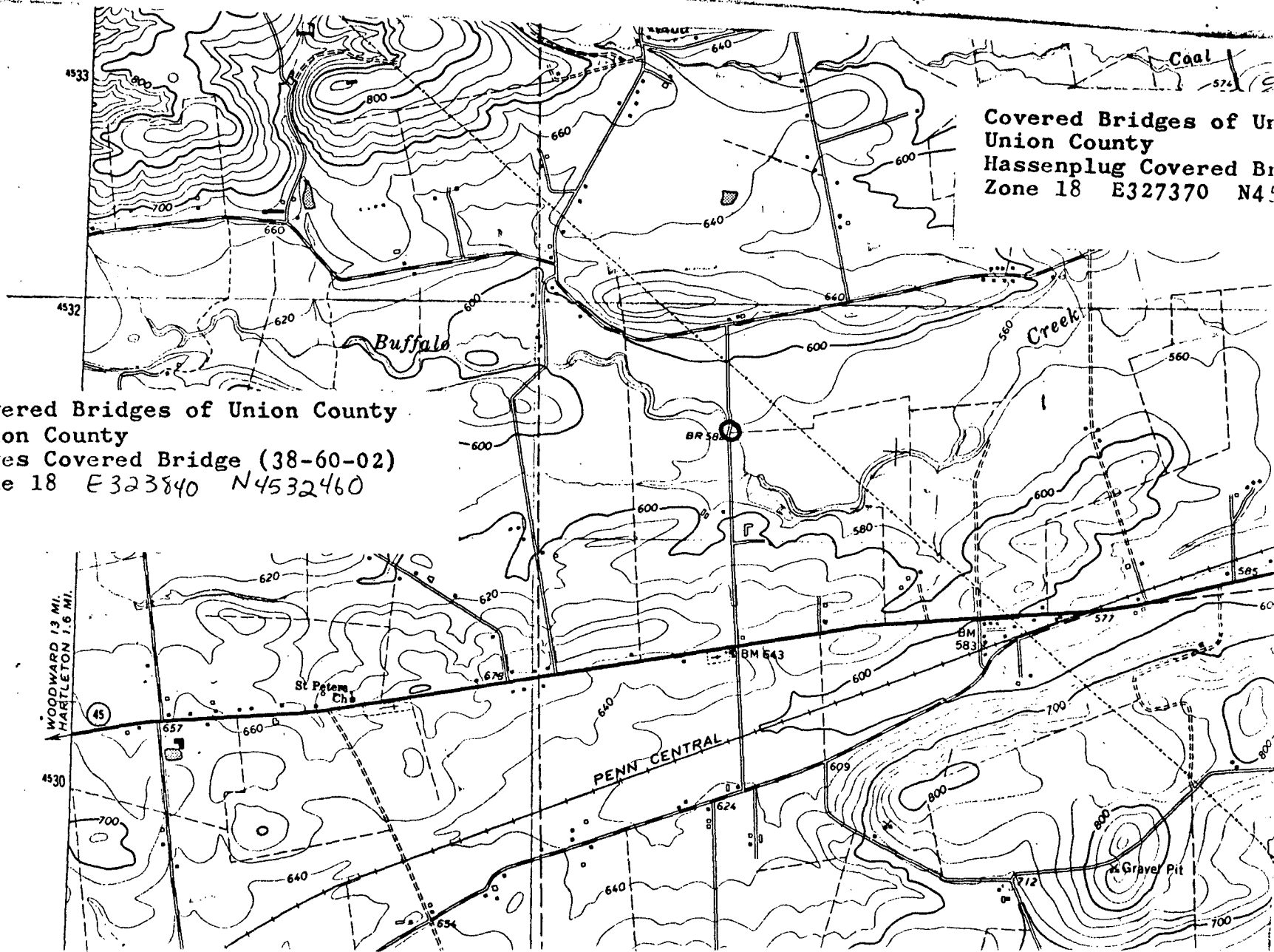
date _____

Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date _____

Chief of Registration



Covered Bridges of Union County
 Hassenplug Covered Bridge
 Zone 18 E327370 N4532460

Covered Bridges of Union County
 Union County
 Hayes Covered Bridge (38-60-02)
 Zone 18 E323840 N4532460